


<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. 1.63)</b>		Attorney Docket No.	G351.12-0001
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:  
HAND-TRUCK APPARATUS

the specification of which:

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was filed on as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number and was amended on (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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Attorney Docket No.

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Title : HAND-TRUCK APPARATUS

In the patent application:

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I appoint the attorneys and agents associated with Customer Number 00164 to prosecute the patent application identified above and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, including full power of association, substitution and revocation.

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# ASSIGNMENT

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Title : HAND-TRUCK APPARATUS

WHEREAS, I, Fred O. Hartmann, of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, U.S.A. and Allen C. Aaseby, of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, U.S.A., have invented certain new and useful improvements as described in an application entitled HAND-TRUCK APPARATUS for Letters Patent of the United States, the application having been executed on even date herewith, and/or being identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, Grand Steer Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having offices at 15378 Highway 59 Northeast, Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701, ("Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, I transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the above-identified application, corresponding domestic and foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention; and I authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States or foreign equivalent thereof to issue the Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

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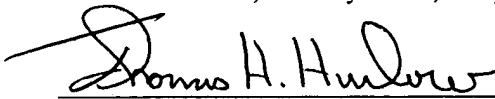
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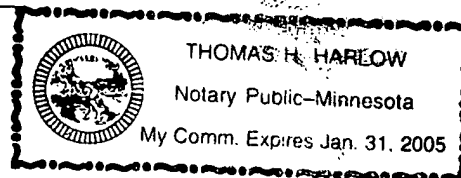
  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003.

  
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